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ENEMIES OF YOUTH

Photoplay in 6 reels

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SYNOPSIS -

For many years the destinies of the sleepy dead town of Arcadia have been controlled by a group of narrow-minded individuals, set upon legislating morality into the inhabitants. One of the leaders is Tom Raymond, the prosecuting attorney, elected on a platform of rigid law enforcement, which he carries out to the letter.

Apparently all is well in Arcadia, but under the surface things are not so rosy. Particularly chafing are the restraints upon the young people, especially upon Jim Lawton, to whose sister Alice, Tom Raymond is engaged.

The first real jolt to the complacency of Arcadia comes when James Rutledge, an industrial magnate, refuses to locate a factory there for the reason that the city leaders have made the town uninviting and unattractive place in which to live. This is a shock to Tom and he does some thinking.

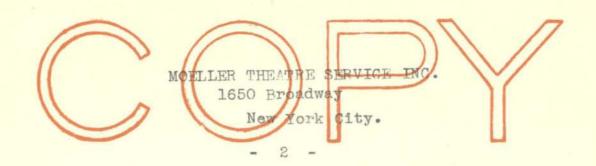
And he does considerable more thinking when Jim Lawton with a natural craving for the amusements and entertainments forbidden in Arcadia, goes elsewhere, gets into a serious scrape, and comes to Tom for help.

Accordingly when Tom is offered the nomination for mayor of Arcadia, he refuses to run on the old "Thou Shalt Not" platform. Whereupon the nomination is given to Robert Lawton, to whose daughter Alice, Tom is engaged.

At the insistence of a number of townspeople, who realize that instead of keeping worldly temptations from the young people, they are really driving them into questionable places and amusements, and even into crime, Tom agrees to run independently for mayor on a platform which will give the young people an opportunity to have innocent healthful sport and recreation in their own town. This results in a breaking of the engagement between Tom and Alice. But Alice's brother Jim, whom Tom has befriended, stands up for Tom in the contest between Lawton, Sr. and Tom.

At first Tom's candidacy is taken as a joke, but he gradually begins to win more followers, and finally his campaign attracts the attention of nationally famous Governor Wallace, who offers to address the citizens on Tom's behalf.

One of Lawton's unscrupulous henchmen plots to prevent the Governor's arriving, but in a dramatic finish, Jim with the assistance of an aviator pal, brings the Governor via aeroplane to the meeting where he strongly endorses Tom.



The Governor's appeal turns the tide, and Tom is elected and immediately puts into effect his pledge to give healthful sport and recreation to the citizens of Arcadia.

A recreation center is erected, the motion picture theatre opened, ball games renewed and Arcadia becomes an enjoyable place in which to live. At Tom's earnest solicitation, the factory magnate returns to Arcadia and on seeing the changed condition, agrees to put up the much desired factory.

The changed conditions give Jim an opportunity to exercise his energies in healthful sports and recreation and from the "black sheep" of the town, he becomes one of the leading young business men, engaged in the building business with his father.

The contract for the construction of the new factory building is much sought after by the local contractors, including Jim and Alfred Brodie, the "model" young man of the old crowd. Alfred plans to gain the contract, but at the last moment Jim's expertness in playing billiards enables him to win the admiration of the factory magnate and ultimately secure the contract.

And then Alice, too, admits that Tom was right and the picture concludes with the renewal of their engagement.

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